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A NOTE TO OUR COLLEAGUES

Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention (Maine CDC) is pleased to provide you with this guide for laboratory reporting of notifiable conditions. We hope you find this guide useful.

Reporting of suspected or confirmed diseases or conditions designated as notifiable is mandated under Maine State Law [22 M.R.S.A., Chapter 250, §820 and §822]. Though the primary responsibility of reporting lies with health care providers, the following entities are also required to report notifiable diseases in Maine: medical laboratories (including blood donor centers and blood banks), veterinarians, veterinary medical laboratories, health care facilities, child care facilities, correctional facilities, educational institutions, and local health officers.

In an effort to assist medical laboratories and blood banks in fulfilling these obligations, Maine CDC has developed this guide for laboratory reporting. This reference provides Maine-specific information on notifiable diseases and conditions, contact information for key personnel and offices, and emergency contact information for after hours calls.

If you require further information or if you have questions or concerns about disease reporting, please call Maine CDC's 24-hour Disease Reporting and Consultation Line at **800-821-5821**. If you would like additional copies of this guide, a PDF version is available on Maine CDC website at www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/disease-reporting/ or can be ordered by calling 800-821-5821.

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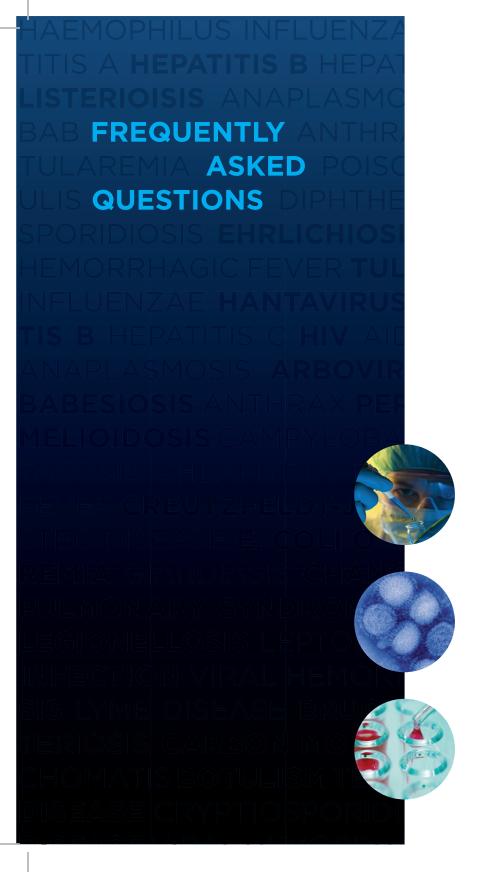
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Q. Are laboratories and blood banks required to report notifiable conditions?

A. Yes, Maine State Law [22 M.R.S.A., Chapter 250, §820 and §822] requires laboratories and blood banks to immediately report the recognition or strong suspicion of the notifiable conditions indicated in this guide to public health authorities at Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention (Maine CDC).

Q. To whom should reports of positive lab results or other markers of disease be submitted?

A. All reports should be submitted to Maine CDC. The reports may be made by calling the 24-hour Disease Reporting and Consultation Line at 800-821-5821 or by faxing the report to 800-293-7534.

Q. When and how should reports be submitted?

A. Notifiable conditions as indicated by the bold text and phone icon on the Reporting Procedures List contained in this guide, must be reported immediately by telephone on recognition or strong suspicion of disease. Non bolded, notifiable conditions require reporting by telephone, fax, or mail as soon as possible, but no later than 48 hours from the time of recognition or strong suspicion of disease. Telephone and fax should be the primary method of reporting. Written reports may be mailed to Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Infectious Disease, 286 Water Street, 11 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04330-0011.

Q. What information should be provided to the public health authorities?

A. Disease reports must include all pertinent information including: disease or condition diagnosed or suspected; patient's name, date of birth, address, phone number, and race; diagnostic laboratory findings, including test type, and dates of test relevant to the notifiable condition; health care provider name, address, and phone number; and name and phone number of the person making the report. A disease report form is available for download at www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/disease-reporting/documents/notifiable-form.doc.

Q. What is required to be sumitted to HETL?

A. The Reporting Procedures Table in this guide contains information about which agents are required by state law to be submitted to HETL. Many clinical laboratories utilize the services of reference laboratories at their discretion. State law requires that isolates or specimens that relate to notifiable conditions, noted as "Yes" in the "Lab Submission of Isolates or Specimens for Confirmation Required" column, must be submitted to HETL, regardless of where the test is performed. Maine laboratories participating in the Federal Laboratory Response Network (LRN) are also required to submit isolates or specimens when specific agents are suspected. For more information please visit the HETL website at www.mainepublichealth.gov/lab.

Q. Does HETL participate in any national surveillance systems?

A. Yes. HETL participates in PFGE/PulseNET, Laboratory Response Network (LRN), and Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL).

PFGE/PulseNET is a network of public health laboratories from the United States and Canada that strain type bacteria using pulsed field gel electrophoresis (PFGE). PulseNET allows the linkage of cases and foodstuffs to outbreaks using an electronic database of DNA finger-prints from pathogenic bacteria including shigatoxin producing E.coli, Salmonella, Shigella, Campylobacter and Listeria. For more information visit: www.cdc.gov/pulsenet/.

LRN is a national network of local, state and federal public health, hospital-based, food testing, veterinary and environmental testing laboratories that provide laboratory diagnostics. The LRN and its partners' mission is to maintain an integrated national and international network of laboratories that can respond quickly to acts of chemical or biological terrorism, emerging infectious diseases and other public health threats and emergencies.

APHL works to strengthen laboratories serving the public's health in the US and globally. Their mission is to promote the role of public health laboratories in shaping national and global health objectives, and to promote policies, programs and technologies that assure continuous improvement in the quality of laboratory practice and health outcomes.

Q. Are physicians required to report notifiable conditions too?

A. Yes, physicians are required to report notifiable diseases to Maine CDC. Information is collected on disease onset, symptoms, treatment, occupation, illness in family members, hospitalization, etc. and supplements the information reported by medical laboratories. Conditions indicated by the bolded text and phone icon on the Reporting Procedures List contained in this guide should be reported immediately upon clinical suspicion.

Q. Is electronic laboratory reporting of test results available?

A. Yes, electronic laboratory reporting to Maine CDC is available. Currently Maine CDC receives electronic laboratory reports from some national reference laboratories and HealthInfoNet. Conditions indicated by the bolded text and phone icon on the Reporting Procedures List contained in this guide must be reported immediately by telephone upon recognition or strong suspicion of disease prior to availability of test results. Telephone reporting of conditions and paper-based electronic laboratory reporting are still utilized. For more information about implementing electronic laboratory reporting, call the Disease Reporting and Consultation Line at 800-821-5821.

Q. Is reporting required for agencies that perform donor testing?

A. Yes, blood banks, tissue banks and organ procurement organizations must report positive results of notifiable conditions to Maine CDC.

Q. Are HIV related tests reportable?

A. Yes, all confirmed positive HIV antibody tests, all results of viral load tests, and all results of CD4 lymphocyte counts are reportable. Reports can be submitted by telephone to 800-821-5821, by fax to 207-287-3498, or by mail to Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, HIV Surveillance, 286 Water Street, 11 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04330-0011.

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AGENT	DISEASE/CONDITION	WHAT TO REPORT TO MAINE CDC	LAB SUBMISSION OF ISOLATES OR SPECIMENS FOR CONFIRMATION REQUIRED	TESTING PERFORMED AT HETL	
Anaplasma phagocytophilum	Anaplasmosis	Positive by any method	No		
Arboviruses: Eastern or Venezuelan equine encephalitis, Powassan virus, St. Louis encephalitis, West Nile virus	Arboviral infection, viral encephalitis/meningitis	Positive by any method	No (not required but requested)	IgM performed for Eastern equine encephalitis, St. Louis encephalitis, West Nile virus Powassan virus tested at federal CDC	
Arenaviruses (Lassa, Junin)	Viral hemorrhagic fever	Positive by any method	hod No (not required but requested)		
Babesia microti	Babesiosis	Positive blood smear, NAAT or serologic evidence, PCR	No		
Bacillus anthracis	Anthrax	Positive by any method	Yes	PCR, culture Reportable by LRN	
Bordetella pertussis	Pertussis	Positive by any method	Yes	PCR, culture	
Borrelia burgdorferi	Lyme disease	ELISA positive or equivocal; Immunoblot positive or equivocal	No		
Brucella spp.	Brucellosis	Positive by any method	Yes	PCR, culture Reportable by LRN	
Burkholderia mallei	Glanders	Positive by any method	Yes	PCR, culture Reportable by LRN	
Burkholderia pseudomallei	Melioidosis	Positive by any method	Yes	PCR, culture Reportable by LRN	
Campylobacter spp.	Campylobacteriosis	Positive by any method	No	PCR, culture, PFGE	
Carbon Monoxide	Carbon Monoxide Poisoning	Carboxyhemoglobin (COHb) level ≥5%	No		
Chlamydia psittaci	Psittacosis	Positive culture or serologic evidence	No		

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Chlamydia trachomatis	Chlamydia trachomatis, all genital infections including lymphogranuloma venereum (LGV) and eye infections	Positive by any method	re by any method No		
Clostridium botulinum	Botulism	Positive culture or toxin in blood or stool	Yes	ELISA Reportable by LRN	
Clostridium tetani	Tetanus	Positive culture	Yes	Culture	
Corynebacterium diphtheriae	Diphtheria	Positive culture	Yes	Culture, DNA sequencing	
Coxiella burnettii	Q fever	Positive by any method	Yes	PCR Reportable by LRN	
Creutzfeldt-Jakob agent	Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease	Positive by any method in patients younger than 55 years of age	No		
Cryptosporidium spp.	Cryptosporidiosis	Positive by any method	No (not required but recommended)	PCR	
Cyclospora	Cyclosporiasis	Positive by any method	No		
Ehrlichia chaffeensis	Ehrlichiosis	Positive by any method	No		
Entamoeba histolytica	Amebiasis	Positive by any method	No		
Escherichia coli, Shiga toxin producing	Shiga toxin-producing <i>E. coli</i> (STEC) disease	Positive shiga toxin producing E. coli	Yes	PCR 0157:H7/Shiga toxin1/Shiga toxin2, culture, PFGE	
Escherichia coli 0157	E. coli O157 disease including hemolytic-uremic syndrome (HUS)	Positive E. coli O157 culture, positive shiga toxin in stool	Yes	PCR 0157:H7/Shiga toxin1/Shiga toxin2, culture, PFGE	
Filoviruses (Ebola, Marburg)	Viral hemorrhagic fever	Positive by any method	Yes	Performed at federal CDC Reportable by LRN	
Francisella tularensis	Tularemia	Positive by any method	Yes	PCR, culture Reportable by LRN	
Giardia lamblia	Giardiasis	Positive by any method	No		
Haemophilus ducreyi	Chancroid	Positive by any method	No		
Haemophilus influenzae	Haemophilus influenzae, invasive disease	Positive by any method, from invasive site	d, from invasive site Yes Ser ide		

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Hantavirus	Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome	Positive IgM or rising IgG titer or positive RNA by NAAT or positive immunochemistry	Confirmatory testing recommended at federal CDC			
Hepatitis A virus	Hepatitis A	Positive serology for IgM anti-HAV	Positive serology for IgM anti-HAV No			
Hepatitis B virus	Hepatitis B	Positive serology for HBsAg, anti-HBc, IgM anti-HBc, HBeAg or HBV DNA (positive or detectable).	EIA			
Hepatitis C virus	Hepatitis C	Positive serology for anti-HCV (including signal-to-cut-off ratio for EIA, CIA, MEIA, or CMIA); Positive anti-HCV RIBA; Positive or detectable HCV RNA (PCR, bDNA, TMA), Genotype, and ALT >400 IU/L (in combination with one or more positive or detectable HCV result).	EIA			
Hepatitis D virus	Hepatitis D	Positive by any method No				
Hepatitis E virus	Hepatitis E	Positive by any method	No			
Human Immunodeficiency Virus	HIV and AIDS	Positive results confirmed by supplemental HIV antibody test (e.g. Western blot, IFA), detectable quantities from all HIV nucleic acid detection test results, positive HIV p24 antigen test (including neutralization assay), positive HIV isolation (viral culture). All CD4 counts and viral load test results regardless of quantity or detection levels should be reported by reference laboratories. Causative organisms responsible for AIDS		EIA, Multispot		
		defining conditions. (www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5710a2.htm)				
Influenza, novel	Influenza, novel	Positive influenza A, unable to serotype or novel strain	Yes	PCR screening A/B and PCR subtyping H1N1, H3N2, H5, culture, Drug Resistance by Pyrose- quencing		

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Legionella spp.	Legionellosis	Positive by any method	No	
Leptospira interrogans	Leptospirosis	Positive by any method	No	PCR, culture, PFGE
Listeria monocytogenes	Listerioisis	Positive by any method	Yes	PCR, culture
Monkeypox Virus	Monkeypox	Positive by any method	Yes	PCR Reportable by LRN
Mumps virus	Mumps	Paired sera showing rising IgG titer, single serum showing mumps IgM antibody, positive viral culture, RT-PCR	Yes	IgG serology, RT-PCR, culture, IgM, ELISA
Mycobacterium tuberculosis	Tuberculosis	Positive AFB smear (including subsequent culture result), or historic evidence of disease (Negative culture results on follow up specimens must also be reported)	Yes	AFB smear, culture, drug susceptibilities, genotyping, IGRA, PCR
		Clinical suspicion of active disease		
Neisseria gonorrhoeae	Gonorrhea, Gonococcal conjuctivitis	Positive by any method	No	NAAT, culture, DFA
Neisseria meningitidis	Meningococcal disease, Invasive	Positive by culture from any sterile site (such as blood or CSF) or Gram-stain showing Gram-negative diplococci in CSF or blood	Yes	PCR, culture, serotyping
Norovirus	Norovirus	Positive by any method	Yes , for outbreaks and at the request of Maine CDC	RT-PCR GI/GII
Plasmodium spp.	Malaria	Positive blood smear or NAAT	No	
Polio virus	Poliomyelitis	Positive viral culture or NAAT	Yes	Confirmatory testing will be performed by federal CDC
Rabies virus, animal	Rabies	Domestic animal or human exposure to either high risk wildlife or domestic animals	Yes , if indicated after consultation with Maine CDC	DFA
Rabies virus, human	Rabies	Clinical symptoms consistent with human Rabies virus	Yes	Confirmatory testing will be performed by federal CDC
Ricin Poisoning	Ricin Poisoning	Positive by any method	Yes	PCR, TRF-ELISA
				Reportable by LRN

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Rickettsia rickettsii	Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever	Positive by any method	No		
Rubella virus	Rubella (German Measles), including congenital	Paired sera showing rising IgG titer, single serum showing rubella IgM antibody, positive viral culture, RT-PCR	IgG Serology Confirmatory testing will be performed by federal CDC		
Rubeola virus	Measles	Paired sera showing rise in IgG titer, single serum showing measles IgM antibody, positive viral culture, RT-PCR	Yes	IgG Serology, RT-PCR	
Salmonella species including typhi	Salmonellosis including Typhoid fever	Positive culture	Yes		
SARS Coronavirus	Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)	Positive by any method	Yes	Confirmatory testing will be performed by federal CDC	
Saxitoxin, domoic acid	Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning	Positive by any method	No	Confirmatory testing may be facilitated in collaboration with Department of Marine Resources	
Shigella spp.	Shigellosis	Positive culture	Yes	Culture, serogrouping, PFGE	
Staphylococcus aureus	Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus, invasive	Positive culture from any sterile site (such as blood or CSF)	No		
Staphylococcus aureus	Staphylococcal disease, Vancomycin intermediate (VISA) or Vancomycin resistant (VRSA)	Positive culture from any site	culture from any site Yes		
Staphylococcal enterotoxin B	Staphylococcal enterotoxin B poisoning	Positive for toxin in blood or urine by any method	No	TRF-ELISA Reportable by LRN	
Streptococcus agalactiae (Group B Strep)	Group B streptococcal invasive disease	Positive culture from any sterile site (such as blood or CSF)		Reportable by LKIN	

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Streptococcus pneumoniae	Streptococcus pneumoniae invasive disease	Positive culture from any sterile site (such as blood or CSF), antibiotic susceptibility pattern must be included		
Streptococcus pyogenes (Group A Beta Hemolytic Strep)	Group A streptococcal invasive disease	Positive culture from any invasive site (such as blood or CSF), or any surgical site		
Treponema pallidum	Syphilis			TPPA, RPR, VDRL (CSF only)
Trichinella spp.	Trichinosis	Positive biopsy or serology	No	
Vaccinia virus	Vaccinia infection	Positive by any method	Yes	PCR
				Reportable by LRN
Varicella-zoster virus	Chicken pox, Shingles	Positive by any method	Positive by any method No	
Variola virus	Smallpox			Confirmatory testing will be performed by federal CDC
Vibrio spp., including cholera	Vibriosis, including cholera	Positive by any method	ethod Yes	
Yellow fever virus	Yellow fever	Positive by any method No		
Yersinia pseudotuber- culosis and Yersinia enterocolitica	Yersiniosis	Positive culture No		
Yersinia pestis	Plague	Positive by any method Yes		PCR, culture Reportable by LRN

Diseases/conditions indicated with the phone icon and in bold must be immediately reported by telephone to Maine CDC (800-821-5821).

AFB	Acid-fast Bacillus	HBsAg	Hepatitis B Surface Antigen	PCR	Polymerase Chain Reaction
CIA	Chemiluminescence Immunoassay	HBV	Hepatitis B Virus	PFGE	Pulse-Field Gel Electrophoresis
COHb	Carboxyhemoglobin	HCV	Hepatitis C Virus	RIBA	Recombinant ImmunoBlot Assay
CSF	Cerebrospinal Fluid	IFA	Immuno Fluorescence Antibody	RNA	Ribonucleic Acid
DFA	Direct Fluorescent Antibody	IgG	Immunoglobulin G	RPR	Rapid Plasma Reagin
EIA	Enzyme Immunoassay	IgM	Immunoglobulin M	RT-PCR	Reverse Transcriptase Polymerase
ELISA	Enzyme-linked Immunosorbent Assay	IGRA	Interferon Gamma Release Assay		Chain Reaction
HAV	Hepatitis A Virus	LRN	Laboratory Response Network	TPPA	Treponema Pallidum Particle Agglutination
НВс	Hepatitis B Core	NAAT	Nucleic Acid Amplification Test	TRF	Time Resolved Florescence
HBeAg	Hepatitis Be Antigen			VDRL	Venereal Disease Research Laboratory Test



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